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SOLID STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE AND  
CAMERA USING THE SAME  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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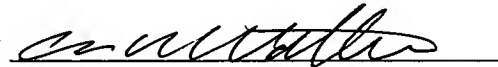
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  - d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
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- JP 2001-251555 corresponds to U.S. 2001/0033337;  
JP 4-290081 corresponds to U.S. 5,793,423;  
JP 9-246516 corresponds to U.S. 5,780,884; and  
JP 2003-163845 corresponds to U.S. 2003/0117676.
5. ☐ A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AB	5,793,423	8/1998	Hamasaki			
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	AH	2001/251555	9/2001	JP			Abstract
	AI	11-196333	7/1999	JP			Abstract & Partial Translation
	AJ	4-290081	10/1992	JP			Abstract
	AK	9-246516	9/1997	JP			Abstract
	AL	11-237665	8/1994	JP			Abstract & Partial Translation
	AM	6-217203	8/1994	JP			Abstract & Partial Translation
	AN	11-266399	8/1994	JP			Abstract & Partial Translation
	AD	2003-163845	6/2003	JP			Abstract
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